# BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF QWEST	)
CORPORATION AND MCIMETRO ACCESS	) CASE NO. QWE-T-04-24
TRANSMISSION SERVICES LLC'S MASTER	)
SERVICE AGREEMENT FILING	) NOTICE OF FILING
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	) NOTICE OF MODIFIED
	) PROCEDURE
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	) NOTICE OF COMMENT/
	) PROTEST DEADLINE
	)
	) ORDER NO. 29596

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on August 2, 2004, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and McImetro Access Transmission Services LLC (McImetro) filed a Master Services Agreement (MSA) with the Commission seeking its review and approval. The MSA concerns the purchase and use of certain combinations of network elements, switching, shared transport, etc. that were commonly known as Unbundled Network Element Platform (UNE-P) and the subject of previous interconnection agreements. The MSA states that, given the "regulatory uncertainty in light of the DC Circuit Court's decision in *USTA v. FCC*, 359 F.3d 554 (March 2, 2004) . . . with respect to the future existence, scope, and nature of Qwest's obligation to provide such UNE-P arrangements under the Communications Act," that the MSA is being filed with corresponding interconnection agreement amendments "to create a stable arrangement for the continued availability to MCI from Qwest of services. . . ." Qwest Master Services Agreement, p. 2.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission seeks comments from any interested party regarding whether such an agreement, the MSA, is subject to the requirements of 47 U.S.C. §§ 251, 252, et. seq.

NOTICE OF FILING NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE NOTICE OF COMMENT/PROTEST DEADLINE ORDER NO. 29596 1 YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Master Services Agreement filed in Case No. QWE-T-04-24, may be viewed online at <a href="www.puc.state.id.us">www.puc.state.id.us</a> by clicking on "File Room" and "Telecommunication Cases," or it can be viewed during regular business hours at the offices of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, 472 West Washington Street, Boise, Idaho.

## NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the filing of record in Case No. QWE-T-04-24. The Commission has preliminarily determined that the public interest may not require a hearing to consider the issues presented in this case and that issues raised by the Company's filing may be processed under **Modified Procedure**. (i.e., by written submission rather than by hearing). IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204. In so doing, the Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comment has proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission may not hold a hearing in this proceeding unless it receives written protests or comments opposing the use of Modified Procedure and stating why Modified Procedure should not be used. Reference IDAPA 31.01.01.203.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no protests or written comments are received within the deadline, the Commission will consider the matter and enter its Order without a hearing. If protests or comments are filed within the deadline, the Commission will consider them and may, in its discretion, set the matter for hearing or decide the matter and issue its Order on the basis of the written positions before it. IDAPA 01.01.204.

#### NOTICE OF COMMENT/PROTEST DEADLINE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the deadline for filing written comments or protests with respect to the Application and the Commission's use of Modified Procedure in Case No. QWE-T-04-24 is 21 days from the service date of this Order. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written protests or comments.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that written comments concerning Case No. QWE-T-04-24 should be mailed to the Commission and to Qwest and to MCImetro at the addresses reflected below.

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These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's homepage located at <a href="www.puc.state.id.us">www.puc.state.id.us</a>. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, and complete the comment form, using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to the Applicants at the address listed above.

#### ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case be processed under Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments regarding this case or protesting the use of Modified Procedure should do so no later than 21 days from the service date of this Order.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2004.

AUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

DENNIS S. HANSEN, COMMISSIONER

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